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For : DIGITAL ELECTROCHROMIC CIRCUIT WITH
A VEHICLE NETWORK
Atty Docket No. : DON01 P-1120

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Dear Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.51, 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants submit herewith patents, publications or other information listed on attached Forms PTO-1449 for consideration by the Examiner in connection with examination of the present application.

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The Examiner's attention is respectfully directed to the patents, publications and other documents listed on the attached Forms PTO-1449.

United States Patent Nos. 6,474,820; 6,595,649; 6,406,152; 6,056,410; 6,210,008; and 6,299,315 issued to Hoekstra et al.; United States Patent Nos. 6,547,404; 6,089,721 and 6,305,807 issued to Schierbeek; United States Patent Nos. 6,447,124; 6,099,131 and 6,299,316 issued to Fletcher et al.; United States Patent Nos. 6,465,904; 6,175,164; 6,340,850; 5,959,367 and 5,798,575 issued to O'Farrell et al.; United States Patent Nos. 6,515,378; 6,639,519; 6,396,408 and 6,291,905 issued to Drummond et al.; United States Patent No. 6,362,771 issued to Schofield et al.; United States Patent No. 6,340,849 issued

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to Kramer et al.; United States Patent Nos. 5,668,663; 5,724,187; 5,910,854; 6,002,511; 6,154,306 and 6,245,262 issued to Varaprasad et al.; United States Patent No. 6,428,172 issued to Hutzler et al.; and United States Patent Nos. 6,420,975; 6,124,866; 6,222,460 and 6,243,003 issued to DeLine et al. are commonly assigned with the present application.

European Publication No. EP 1 103 420 A2 is commonly assigned with the present application.

United States patent application Serial Nos. 10/190,809; 10/356,939; 10/413,264; 10/623,689 and 10/251,323 are commonly assigned co-pending applications.

Applicants respectfully request that the information cited in the prior parent application, Serial No. 10/134,716, be considered in the present application. With the exception of United States Patent Nos. 6,547,404; 6,515,378; 6,396,408; 6,465,904; 6,447,124; 6,428,172; 6,420,975; 6,474,820; 6,595,649 and 6,406,152; and United States patent application Serial Nos. 10/190,809; 10/356,939; 10/413,264; 10/623,689 and 10/251,323, copies of the cited art can be found in one or more of the parent application files.

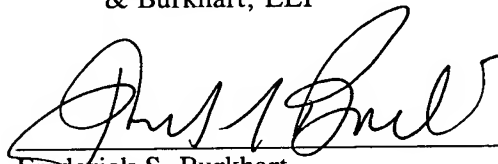
An early and favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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		Commonly assigned co-pending U.S. application Ser. No. 10/190,809, filed on Jul. 8, 2002, entitled VEHICULAR SOUND-PROCESSING SYSTEM INCORPORATING AN INTERIOR MIRROR USER-INTERACTION SITE FOR A RESTRICTED-RANGE WIRELESS COMMUNICATION SYSTEM (P-979).
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